13.26 hrs.

Title: References made to the passing away of Shri Uttam Rao Laxmanrao Patil (Member Second and Ninth Lok Sabha) on 18.11.2001, Shri S.D. Somasundram (Member Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Lok Sabha) on 6.12.2001, Shri Bhola Manjhi (Member Fifth Lok Sabha) on 18.12.2001, Shrimati Suseela Gopalan (Member Fourth, Seventh and Tenth Lok Sabha) on 19.12.2001, Shri KTK Tangamani (Member Second Lok Sabha) on 26.12.2001, Shrimati Pramila Dandwate (Member Seventh Lok Sabha) on 1.1.2002, Shri Bhagu Nandu Malvia (Member First Lok Sabha) on 10.01.2002 and Shri Prasad Sahu (Member Seventh and Eighth Lok Sabha) on 23.01.2002, respectively.

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, as we meet today after an interval of about two months, it is my sad duty to inform the House of the passing away of eight of our former colleagues namely, Shri Uttam Rao Laxmanrao Patil, Shri S.D. Somasundaram, Shri Bhola Manjhi, Shrimati Suseela Gopalan, Shri K.T.K. Tangamani, Shrimati Pramila Dandavate, Shri Bhagu Nandu Malvia and Shri Shiv Prasad Sahu.

Shri Uttam Rao Laxmanrao Patil was a Member of Second and Ninth Lok Sabha from 1957 to 1962 and 1989 to 1991 representing Dhulia Parliamentary Constituency of erstwhile Bombay State and Erandol Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra.

Shri Patil was an active parliamentarian. He ably served as a Member of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions and the Consultative Committee, Ministry of Agriculture during 1990.

Shri Patil was also a Member of Maharashtra Legislative Council during 1954-55 and from 1966 to 1978 and Maharashtra Legislative Assembly from 1978 to 1980. He was the Leader of Opposition from 1966 to 1978 in the Maharashtra Legislative Council. He served as a Member of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation from 1966 to 1972 and the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes from 1973 to 1977 in the Maharashtra Legislative Council.

An able administrator, Shri Patil served as the Revenue Minister from 1978 to 1980 in the State Government.

Shri Patil was an advocate by profession. He was also an active social and political worker. He worked relentlessly for the welfare of the weaker sections of the society and took keen interest in flood and drought relief work.

Shri Patil authored two books. He was also the founder editor of *Sudarshan* weekly.

A widely travelled person, Shri Patil was a delegate to Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference, Uganda during 1966.

Shri Uttam Rao Laxmanrao Patil passed away on 18th November, 2001 at Mumbai, Maharashtra at the age of 81.

Shri S.D. Somasundaram was a Member of Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Lok Sabha from 1967 to 1978 representing Thanjavur Parliamentary Constituency of Tamil Nadu.

An able parliamentarian, Shri Somasundaram served as a Member of the Joint Committee on Salaries and Allowances of Members of Parliament during 1971-72, Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions during 1973-74; House Committee in 1977 and General Purposes Committee during 1977-78.

Shri Somasundaram was also a Member of Tamil Nadu Legislative Council from 1978 to 1980 and Legislative Assembly from 1980 to 1984 and 1991 to 1996.

A veteran political leader and able administrator, Shri Somasundaram served as a Cabinet Minister in the State Government.

Hailing from an agriculturist family, Shri Somasundaram was an active social worker and was associated with various social organisations. Shri Somasundaram also took keen interest in sports.

A man of literary bent of mind, Shri Somasundaram was the editor of *Sama Neeti*, a Tamil daily.

Shri S.D. Somasundaram passed away on 6th December, 2001 at Chennai, Tamil Nadu at the age of 71 after a brief illness.

Shri Bhola Manjhi was a Member of Fifth Lok Sabha from 1971 to 1977 representing Jamui Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar.

Earlier he was a Member of Bihar Legislative Assembly from 1957 to 1961.

Hailing from an agriculturist family, Shri Manjhi was a teacher by profession. Popularly known as *Guruee,* Shri

Manjhi worked in various schools of his native state and had special interest in the spread of education.

Shri Manjhi was an active social worker. He organised "Khet Mazdoor Union" in 1955 and served as Vice-President of Bihar Khet Mazdoor Sabha and Secretary of Monghyr District Khet Mazdoor Sabha. He worked relentlessly for uplift of the agricultural workers. He rendered yeoman's service to the cause of farmers.

Shri Bhola Manjhi passed away on 18th December, 2001 at Khairma, Jamui, Bihar at the age of 80.

Shrimati Suseela Gopalan was a member of Fourth, Seventh and Tenth Lok Sabha from 1967 to 1970; 1980 to 1984 and 1991 to 1996 representing Ambalapuzha, Alleppey and Chirayinkil Parliamentary Constituencies of Kerala.

An outstanding parliamentarian, Shrimati Gopalan was a member of the Joint Committee of the Houses to examine the question of the working of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 during 1981-82 and played a leading role in the enactment of anti-dowry law. She was also a member of the Committee on Industry from 1993 to 1995 and the House Committee during 1994-95. She served as a member of the General Body of the Central Social Welfare Board from 1980 to 1984 and Coir Board during 1984 and from 1991 to 1995.

Shrimati Gopalan was elected as a member of Kerala Legislative Assembly during 1965 and 1996. She ably served as Minister for Industries and Social Welfare in the State Government.

Shrimati Gopalan was a devoted political and social worker. She actively participated in the Students' struggle in 1947 against the then Diwan of Travancore.

A reputed trade unionist, Shrimati Gopalan was associated with various social organisations and trade unions and occupied the important positions in various trade unions. She struggled for the rights of the working people, particularly for the working women.

Having a literary bent of mind, Shrimati Gopalan translated the book "The Golden Flower" from English to Malayalam.

Shrimati Suseela Gopalan passed away on 19th December, 2001 at Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala at the age of 72 after a brief illness.

Shri K.T.K. Tangamani was a member of Second Lok Sabha from 1957 to 1962 representing Madurai Parliamentary Constituency of erstwhile Madras State.

An able parliamentarian, Shri Tangamani served as member of Business Advisory Committee from 1960 to 1962.

A veteran freedom fighter, Shri Tangamani participated in the freedom struggle.

An advocate by profession, Shri Tangamani was an active social and political worker. He served as the Member, Regional Committee, Employees' Provident Fund, Madras State.

Shri Tangamani rose into prominence in public life as a trade union leader. He always strove hard for securing trade union rights to workers and organising labour cooperatives. He was associated with various organisations connected with the welfare of trade unions.

Shri K.T.K. Tangamani passed away on 26th December, 2001 at Chennai, Tamil Nadu at the age of 87.

Shrimati Pramila Dandavate was a member of Seventh Lok Sabha from 1980 to 1984 representing Bombay North Central Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra.

Earlier Shrimati Dandavate was elected to Bombay Municipal Corporation from Dadar Constituency from 1968 to 1973.

Shrimati Dandavate was a devoted social and political worker. She initiated her political career through participation in the Samyukta Maharashtra movement in 1956.

An active member of Lok Sabha, Shrimati Dandavate took keen interest in the proceedings of the House and lost no opportunity to focus the attention of the House to the problems faced by the deprived sections of the society particularly the destitute women. She was also a member of Joint Committee of the Houses to examine the question of the working of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 during 1981-82.

Popularly known as `Pramilatai', Shrimati Dandavate was a vociferous women activist and was associated with various women's organisations including the National Commission for Women. She represented International Council of Social Democratic Women in the Seminar on Adult Education in Ceylon, Sri Lanka in 1971. She was a

member of South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation Non-Governmental Organisation team of observers during National Elections in Bangladesh in 1996. She also organised the Socialist International Women's Conference in Delhi in 1997.

A person of literary bent of mind, Shrimati Dandavate authored a book, namely "Widows, Abandoned and Destitute Women in India".

Shrimati Pramila Dandavate passed away on 1 January, 2002 at New Delhi at the age of 73 after a brief illness.

Shri Bhagu Nandu Malvia was a member of First Lok Sabha from 1952 to 1957 representing Shajapur-Rajgarh Parliamentary Constituency of erstwhile Madhya Bharat.

An agriculturist by profession, Shri Malvia was an active social and political worker. Shri Malvia took keen interest in the welfare of farmers and worked hard for the uplift of weaker sections of the society. He also served as District Organiser of Gandhi Harijan Sewa Dal, Madhya Bharat and General Secretary of the Balai Mahasabha.

Shri Bhagu Nandu Malvia passed away on 10 January, 2002 at Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh at the age of 81, after a brief illness.

Shri Shiv Parsad Sahu was a member of Seventh and Eighth Lok Sabha from 1980 to 1989 representing Ranchi Parliamentary Constituency of erstwhile Bihar State (now in Jharkhand).

An able parliamentarian, Shri Sahu was a member of the Committee on Absence of Members from the Sittings of the House during 1984. He also served as Chairman of Lohardaga Municipality.

An agriculturist and businessman by profession, Shri Sahu was an active social and political worker. He worked relentlessly for the uplift of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribes and other weaker and vulnerable sections of the society.

A trade unionist, Shri Sahu was associated with various employees unions in the State in different capacities.

A keen sportsman, Shri Sahu was President of Chhota Nagpur Sports Council and member of Ranchi District Sports Committee.

Shri Shiv Parsad Sahu passed away on 23 January, 2002 at Ranchi, Jharkhand at the age of 68, after a brief illness.

We deeply mourn the loss of these friends and I am sure the House would join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved families.

The House may now stand in silence for a short while, as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed souls.

13.37 hrs.

(The Members then stood in silence for a short while.)

13.38 hrs.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Santosh Gangwar.

...(*Interruptions*)

SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI (RAIGANJ): Sir, there is a decisive mandate against the entire Government. Why is he laying the Ordinance so far as POTO is concerned?...(*Interruptions*)

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री संतोा कुमार गंगवार) : महोदय, मैं संविधान के अनुच्छेद 123(2)(क) के अंतर्गत निम्नलिखित अध्यादेशों की एक-एक प्रति (हिन्दी तथा अंग्रेज़ी संस्करण) सभा पटल पर रखता हूँ :-

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MR. SPEAKER: The House stands adjourned to meet tomorrow, the 26 February, 2002 at 11.00 a.m.

13.39 hrs

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Eleven of the Clock

on Tuesday, February 26, 2002/Phalguna 7, 1923 (Saka).

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